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Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

VIA: Eloise R. Page
Chairman

SUBJECT: Status Report on CIPC Projects and Activities--April 1986

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1. The Committee did not meet in April. We will be meeting in June to review and approve the China Follow-up Report. In addition, several of the working group chairmen will present reports on the status of their studies.

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2. In response to a request from Don Latham, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (C³I) was granted member status on the CIPC. Mr. Bobby Ellison, Senior Scientist for National Systems, was named the C³I member on the committee.

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3. China Follow-up Report: The China Working Group developed a draft report that is presently being coordinated within the Intelligence Community. As noted, the report will be tabled in early June.

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4. In essence, the report notes that most of the 39 recommendations contained in the original China study have been successfully implemented. The report concludes that our capability to address the China problem has improved during the past 12 months, and the Intelligence Community's overall posture towards China has stabilized at an appropriate level.

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5. NFIP Support to Contingency Operations: The CIPC effort to enhance NFIP support to US forces in contingency operations is well under way. Terms of reference have been approved, and a working group has been formed. Under the chairmanship of [] DIA's Assistant Deputy Director for Research,

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the working group has been engaged in a comprehensive review of what elements of the Community have been doing to support contingency operations. To obtain the views, requirements, and concerns of the U&S Commands and other military elements, the working group attended the four-day DIA symposium on low intensity conflict, 13-16 May.

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9. Intelligence Support to SDI Study: This study is also under way. The terms of reference have been approved, and the working group was convened. It is scheduled to meet again in June to review the Intelligence Community's responses to the SDIO's requirements that were provided in a D/ICS memorandum to the Community on 18 April.

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10. Intelligence as a Force Multiplier: Terms of reference have been drafted and forwarded to the CIPC members for their review. The working group met on 9 May to initiate the study.

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